

SENATE BILL 2190
By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, relative to the educational benefits for certain veterans and dependants of veterans.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-102(c)(3), is amended by deleting subdivisions (B) through (E) in their entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(B) Navy Expeditionary Medal;

(C) Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal;

(D) Combat Action Ribbon (Navy, Marine Corps & Coast Guard);

(E) Army Combat Infantryman Badge;

(F) Kosovo Campaign Medal with at least one (1) bronze star appurtenance for specific military campaign participation by the veteran;

(G) Southwest Asia Service Medal with at least one (1) bronze star appurtenance for specific military campaign participation by the veteran;

(H) Vietnam Service Medal with at least one (1) bronze star appurtenance for specific military campaign participation by the veteran; or

(I) United States Department of Defense Prisoner of War Medal for former prisoners of war.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-102(b)(1)(B), is amended by deleting the language and punctuation “circumstances; or” and by substituting instead the language “circumstances as appropriate; or”.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-102(b)(2), is amended in the second sentence by deleting the language “or former missing in action service member”.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-104(a), is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

(7) A student veteran classified as a resident for tuition and fee purposes under the Academic Common Market agreement is eligible for deferment of tuition and fees under this section.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-104(a)(1), is amended by deleting at the end of the second sentence the language “made at a later date” and by substituting instead the language “made no later than fourteen (14) days following the start of the term”.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-113(a), is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

(4) A student who is receiving services under federal or state vocational rehabilitation programs is not eligible for a waiver of tuition and fee benefits under this section.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002, the public welfare requiring it.